

## SHERIFF CORONER-MARSHAL



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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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Date/Time of Occurrence:

Wednesday, May 2 through Friday, May 4, 2007

Nature of Event:

SWAT Teams Take Over Auburn

Location of Call:

Various locations throughout Auburn/Placer County

Released by:

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## SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:

Auburn will be overrun with armed officers and SWAT vehicles this week, but there's no need for alarm. Teams are coming from all over northern California to compete in the first annual Placer County Advanced SWAT Training School from Wednesday, May 2 through Friday, May 4.

The Placer County Sheriff's Department is hosting the event, which was formerly known as the Grass Valley Advanced S.W.A.T. School, and has a long and rich history spanning 22 years.

The training will bring together 120 individuals from 12 SWAT teams to compete in team and individual tactical events. Teams from sheriff and police agencies including Sacramento, Oakland, Alameda County, Fremont, San Joaquin County, Roseville and Rocklin will be participating. Reality based scenarios, complex shooting courses and structured physical challenges are some of the components of this event. Awards will be given out for individual and team accomplishments achieved during the competition.

"This is an outstanding opportunity for us to showcase our county to a variety of California law enforcement agencies," said Sheriff Ed Bonner. "This event will bring these agencies together for some rigorous training and help our county develop law enforcement contacts throughout the state."

Training will occur at a variety of Placer County locations. County park property on Mears Road will host some outdoor scenarios and the former Sheriff's Department building in Dewitt Center will be the training location for hostage rescue and building searches. Firearms courses will be conducted at the Grizzly Bear Range near Foresthill Road and at the Sheriff Department's new indoor range.

MEDIA NOTE: For safety and logistical reasons, the only training accessible to media will be Thursday, May 3, at the former Sheriff's Office at 11500 A Avenue, Auburn, beginning at 10 a.m. Meet Dena Erwin out in front of that office.